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Dear Mr. Weisberg —

Just a note to let you know that your letter in response to my inquiry reached me. I have your current address now, so hopefully anything further from me should reach you. I got the old address from a museum of some kind in Dallas.

I've followed your publications with some interest. Your contributions to the assassination literature has been impressive. I am very eager to talk to you, as one of the earliest critics of the Warren Report. The three critics I am pursuing most are Mark Lane, Edward Epstein, and yourself.

A little bit about my thesis to date: The tentative title of the paper is "Voices of Dissent: Early Critics of the Warren Report, 1964-1968." I think I'll drop "early" from the title, since it is a bit redundant. Anyway, the thesis is looking at critical reactions to the Report, and how these criticisms were received. My goal is to place critics such as yourself in context with other historical events of the late 1960s. Studies of the controversy surrounding JFK's assassination have not been very complete or far-reaching, and I hope that this MA thesis might turn into a larger work, tracing the debate over JFK's death. I feel that the controversy is as much a legitimate historical event as the event itself, although not all historians would agree with me, no doubt. I think that in many ways, the debate over JFK which has been raging now for over 30 years is reflective of many historical currents in the United States.

So this is what I am doing, and obviously, I'm trying to gauge the JFK debate in relation to other events of the 60s. Just as a bit of trivia, this paper grew out of a study I did on Kennedy's Vietnam policy. If I have a specialty in history, it would be the 1960s. I never grow tired of studying it. I hope this helps you understand what I am doing.

I have used D. Wrone's book a great deal. It is quite a help. Is there a 1979–present work in progress? If not, perhaps someday somebody will get around to it. It certainly has been helpful.

I will try to call you as soon as possible. I am taping the interview. As a scholarly work, my committee may ask to verify sources such as interviews. Copies of the tape have been requested by some (V. Saladvia, for one).

I will be in touch, congratulations on your 82nd birthday.

Sincerely,

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